APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST FORM OREGON HOUSE DELEGATION FISCAL YEAR 2010

1. Project Title: The Dalles Readiness Center: PROJ # 410026

2. Organization Name and address:

Oregon Military Department Installations Division P.O. Box 14350 1776 Militia Way SE Salem, OR 97309-5047

3. Primary Contact name, phone number, mobile phone number, fax number and email:

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- 4. Project Location Address (if different from Organization): The Dalles, OR
- 5. Please describe the requesting organization's main activities, and whether it is a public, private non-profit, or private for-profit entity:

The Oregon National Guard provides the citizens of the State of Oregon and the United States of America with a ready force of citizen soldiers and airmen, equipped and trained to respond to any contingency.

6. Briefly describe the activity or project for which funding is requested (please keep to 500 words or less.)

<u>Project</u>: Replace the existing armory in The Dalles to accommodate Company A (-) of the 3-116 Rifle Cavalry.

Requirement: Construct a 45,967 square foot readiness center to support administrative and training functions of A(-) 3-116 Rifle Cavalry, with adequate classroom and administrative spaces for training and operations for homeland security, antiterrorism and force protection.

<u>Current situation</u>: The Dalles Armory at 11,776 sq. ft. and built in 1951 is unable to meet the requirements of newly realigned units. The Dalles Armory readiness rating based upon Armywide Installation Status Report criteria is "Black", indicating the cost to restore this facility far exceeds 40% of the plant replacement value, and does not support the military mission. Major

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deficiencies of this Armory include; not meeting Anti-Terrorism/Force Protection measures, inadequate parking for unit members, and inadequate military vehicle parking. The Armory also has undersized offices, restrooms, classrooms, kitchen, heating and cooling systems, utilities, and no fire and life safety systems. This facility does not meet current construction or occupancy codes for ADA, seismic, fire and life safety systems, and is not energy efficient.

Impact if not provided: If the project is not approved, this facility's lack of adequate space and infrastructure will continue to hamper the unit's mission readiness. Lack of adequate features such as classrooms and offices restrict the unit's ability to conduct home station pre and post mobilization/deployment processing. Lack of an adequate kitchen costs the federal government more by catering meals rather than the unit preparing meals. Lack of classroom space restricts the unit's ability to conduct training. Lack of maintenance space hampers the unit's ability to train soldiers on how to maintain equipment and vehicles and to conduct maintenance. Lack of adequate compound space impacts ability to store assigned vehicles and equipment. These facility shortfalls significantly impact the unit's mission readiness. Lack of privately owned vehicle parking space impacts soldier morale and ability of unit to recruit and retain authorized strength.

7. Has this project received federal appropriations funding in past fiscal years? YES

7a. If yes, please provide fiscal year, Department, Account, and funding amount of any previous funding.

Project had an approved 1998 35% design document for a different project site Military Construction (MILCON) Planning and Design FY 1997: \$207,818 Military Construction (MILCON) Planning and Design FY 2008: \$960,000

8. Federal agency and account from which funds are requested (Please be specific –e.g. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Economic Development Initiatives account):

Department of Defense, Military Construction (MILCON)

9. What is the purpose of the project? Why is it a valuable use of taxpayer funds? How will the project support efforts to improve the economy and create jobs in Oregon?

The purpose of the project is to replace the existing armory in The Dalles with a new Readiness Center to accommodate Company A (-) of the 3-116 Cavalry. The current armory built in 1951 is unable to meet the requirements of newly realigned units.

The unit readiness center is the local projection platform and center of gravity for Army National Guard Mobilizations and Deployments; the readiness center is the face of the National Guard to the community. It is where soldiers meet and train as well as store operational equipment. It is the center of support for communities during natural and man-made disasters and the center for administration and maintenance as well as being a community center during times of peace.

National Guard Readiness Centers support unit family support activities during mobilizations and deployment. It is where service member's families meet, and receive briefings.

This project is a unique partnership between the Oregon Military Department and Columbia Gorge Community College. It will provide prolonged benefit to the local economy as part of the community college campus with classrooms available to the college during the week as well as bringing service members to the area during training weekends. Additionally, this facility will be available for use by citizens and groups throughout the area through the OMD rental program to hold functions and events further supporting the local economy.

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This project is ready to execute and funding will be obligated within the Federal Fiscal Year putting money directly into the local and state economy providing jobs in construction and maintenance during the period of construction and supporting the local economy post construction.

Construction projects of this scope average a total of 62 sub-contracts with an average of 12 employees per contract. The total number of construction related jobs is 750-1000.

10. Have you requested funding for this project from other Members of Congress? If so, who?

Rep. Ron Blumenauer Sen. Jeff Merkley Rep. Peter DeFazio

Sen. Ron Wyden

Rep. Kurt Schrader

Rep. Walden Rep. David Wu

- 11. Funding Details:
- a. Total project cost (all funding sources and all years): \$21,079,800
- b. Amount being requested for this project in Fiscal Year 2010: \$17,023,000
- c. What other funding sources (local, regional, state) are contributing to this project or activity? (Please provide specific dollar amount or percentage.): State of Oregon, \$4,056,800
- d. Do you expect to request federal funding in future years for this project? No
- e. Breakdown/budget of the amount you are requesting for this project in FY 2010.
- \$1,765,000 in Federal funds to design, \$15,258,000 in Federal funds to construct.
- f. Please list public or private organizations that have supported/endorsed this project:

Wasco County: Judge Erickson, (541) 506-2520

City of The Dalles: Mayor Robb Van Cleave, (541) 506-6071

Columbia Gorge Community College, Dr Frank Toda, (541) 506-6102

q. Is this project scalable? (i.e. if partial funding is awarded, will the organization be able to use the funds in FY 2010?): No